

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is experiencing record high employment, an unemployment rate hovering near record lows, one of the highest labor force participation rates in the country, and a business-friendly environment that has attracted major employers to locate or expand in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Foxconn to implement a high-tech manufacturing and technology ecosystem, creating up to 13,000 jobs over six years, 10,000 construction jobs, and 22,000 additional indirect or induced jobs; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has invested \$212 million over the past four years in nationally recognized workforce programs, such as Youth and Registered Apprenticeship, Wisconsin Fast Forward, and Vocational Rehabilitation to connect talent with opportunity; and

WHEREAS; the Department of Workforce Development is implementing additional workforce solutions online, such as the WisConnect portal to support and expand internship opportunities; enhanced labor market information resources; and new tools on JobCenterofWisconsin.com, the state's free, 24-hour labor exchange; and

WHEREAS; the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment, in concert with Wisconsin's 11 Workforce Development Boards, and economic development and education partners, is advancing a vision for a single talent development system across the state; and

WHEREAS; the DWD has strong partnerships with the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, K-12 and post-secondary education partners, and the Wisconsin Workforce Development Association to equip workers with skills that are in demand for good-paying, high-quality jobs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 2017 as

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 18th day of August 2017.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott Walker".

SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Douglas La Follette".

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State